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<b>Office Action Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b> 10/597,244	<b>Applicant(s)</b> STARING ET AL.	
	<b>Examiner</b> SYED ZIA	<b>Art Unit</b> 2131	

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### Period for Reply

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- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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### Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 18 July 2006.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**.                      2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

### Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-11 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-11 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

### Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

### Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All    b) ☐ Some \*    c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

### Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)                                | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)<br>Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ |
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## **DETAILED ACTION**

This office action is in response to application filed on July 18, 2006. Original application contained Claims 1-11. Therefore, Claims 1-11 are pending for further consideration.

### ***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102***

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

Claims 1-24 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Ripley et al.  
(U. S. Publication No.: 2004/0205345 A1).

1. Regarding Claim 1 Ripley teach and describe a method of authorizing access to content by a sink device in accordance with usage rights, the content being stored on a storage medium controlled by a source device, the method comprising verifying the revocation status of the sink device using the most recently issued revocation information that is available if the usage rights need to be modified as part of the authorization of access to the content, revocation information

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associated with the content stored on the storage medium otherwise ([Fig.1-6, and 0013-0019, and 0022-0027]) .

2. Regarding Claim 8 Ripley teach and describe a source device arranged for authorizing access to content by a sink device in accordance with usage rights, the content being stored on a storage medium controlled by the source device, the source device comprising revocation status checking means for verifying the revocation status of the sink device using the most recently issued revocation information that is available if the usage rights need to be modified as part of the authorization of access to the content, revocation information associated with the content stored on the storage medium otherwise ([Fig.1-6, and 0013-0019, and 0022-0027]).

3. Claims 2-7, and 9-11 are rejected applied as above rejecting Claims 1, and 8.

Furthermore,

As per claim 2, in which revocation information that was applicable when the content was stored on the storage medium is used if the usage rights do not need to be modified ([0017-0018]).

As per claim 3, in which revocation information stored on the storage medium is used if the usage rights do not need to be modified ([0017-0018]).

As per claim 4, comprising updating the revocation information recorded on the storage medium to the most recently issued revocation information if the usage rights need to be modified ([0024-0025]).

As per claim 5, comprising only updating the part of the revocation information relating to the sink device ([0018, and 0024-0025]).

As per claim 6, in which the updating is performed only if the result of the verification is that the sink device has been revoked ([0017-0018, and 0024-0025].

As per claim 7, comprising verifying the revocation status of the sink device using revocation information associated with the content stored on the storage medium only if the usage rights do not need to be modified and the usage rights grant unlimited permission to make copies of the content, and the most recently issued revocation information otherwise.

As per claim 9, in which the revocation status checking means are arranged to use revocation information that was applicable when the content was stored on the storage medium if the usage rights do not need to be modified ([0017-0018, and 0024-0025]..

As per claim 10, in which the revocation status checking means are arranged to verify the revocation status of the sink device using revocation information associated with the content stored on the storage medium only if the usage rights do not need to be modified and the usage rights grant unlimited permission to make copies of the content, and the most recently issued revocation information otherwise ([0017-0018, and 0024-0025]..

As per claim 11, a computer program product arranged to cause a processor to execute the method of claim 1 (Fig.1-2, and 0034]).

***Conclusion***

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to SYED ZIA whose telephone number is (571)272-3798. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:00 to 5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ayaz Sheikh can be reached on 571-272-3795. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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